UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK NDGE COTE

CHARLES V. VACCARO,

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Plaintiff,

- against -

THE BANK OF NEW YORK COMPANY, INC.,

Defendant.

RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 and to enable District Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, the undersigned counsel for Defendant The Bank of New York (a private non-governmental party) states that as of July 1, 2007, The Bank of New York Company, Inc. merged with and into The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation. The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation is a publicly traded corporation and does not have a parent corporation. No publicly held corporation owns 10% or more of The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation's stock.

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